

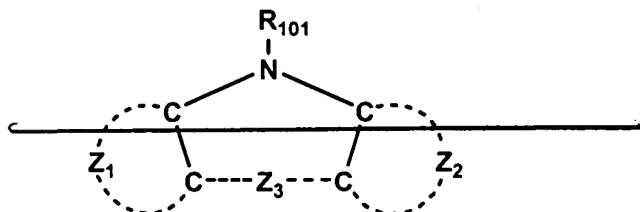
Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) An organic electroluminescent element comprising a pair of electrodes having therebetween at least one constituting layer containing a phosphorescent light emitting layer, wherein one of the constituting ~~layer~~ layers contains a compound represented by ~~Formula (1)~~ Formula (15):

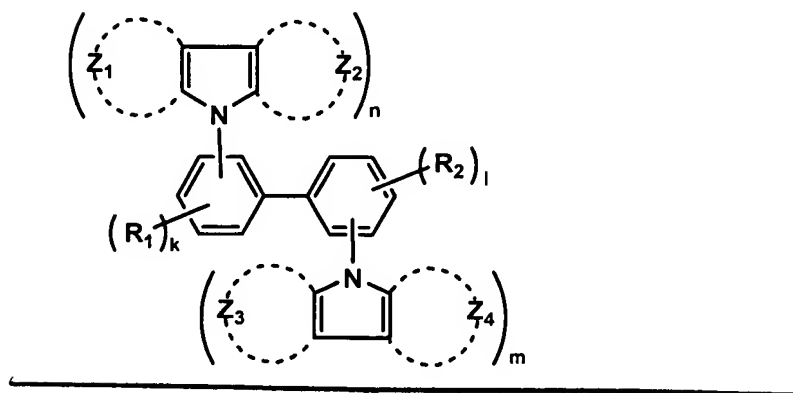
~~Formula (1)~~



~~wherein Z₁ represents an aromatic heterocyclic ring which may have a substituent, Z₂ represents an aromatic heterocyclic ring which may have a substituent or an aromatic hydrocarbon ring which may have a substituent, Z₃ represents a divalent linking group or a single bond, and R₁₀₁ represents a hydrogen atom or a substituent, wherein said substituent is selected from the group consisting of an alkyl group, a cycloalkyl~~

~~group, an alkenyl group, an alkynyl group, an aryl group, an aromatic heterocyclic group, a heterocyclic group, an alkoxy group, a cycloalkoxyl group, aryloxy group, alkylthio group, cycloalkylthio group, an arylthio group, an alkoxycarbonyl group, an aryloxycarbonyl group, a sulfamoyl group, an acyl group, an acyloxy group, an amido group, a carbamoyl group, an ureido group, a sulfinyl group, an alkylsulfonyl group, an aryl sulfonyl group, an amino group, a halogen atom, a fluoride hydro fluoro carbon group, a cyano group, a nitro group, a hydroxyl group, a mercapto group and a silyl group.~~

Formula (15)



wherein R_1 and R_2 each independently represents a hydrogen atom or said substituent; n and m each represents an

integer of 1 to 2; k and l each represents an integer of 3 to 4, provided that $n + k = 5$ and $l + m = 5$; and Z_1 , Z_2 , Z_3 and Z_4 each represent a 6-membered aromatic heterocyclic ring containing a nitrogen atom.

2-4. (Cancelled)

5. (Previously presented) The organic electroluminescent element of claim 1, wherein the compound represented by Formula (1) has a molecular weight of 450 or more.

6-31. (Cancelled)

32. (Currently amended) The organic electroluminescent element of claim 1, wherein the light emitting layer contains the compound represented by Formula $[(1)]$ 15.

33. (Currently amended) The organic electroluminescent element of claim 1, wherein at least one of the constituting layers is a hole blocking layer and the hole blocking layer contains the compound represented by Formula $[(1)]$ 15.

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34. (Previously presented) The organic electroluminescent element of claim 1 which emits blue light.

35. (Previously presented) The organic electroluminescent element of claim 1 which emits white light.

36. (Previously presented) A display device having the organic electroluminescent element of claim 1.

Claims 37-63 (Canceled).

37. (New) The organic electroluminescent element of claim 1, wherein the constituting layer containing the compound represented by Formula (15) is an electron transporting layer.